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SUBJECT: BAHRAINI INFORMAL REQUEST FOR HELICOPTER

FORCE SURVEY

REFERENCE: MANAMA 244

- 1. AMBASSADOR DISCUSSED WITH FOREIGN MINISTER MARCH 10 SHAIKH HAMAD'S INFORMAL REQUEST FOR A SURVEY TEAM DISCUSSED REFTEL. FOREIGN MINISTER MADE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT SHAIKH HAMAD'S APPROACH HAS BLESSING OF GOB AND INDICATED BAHRAIN WOULD PREFER AN ARRANGEMENT WITH THE U.S. TO ONE WITH FRANCE OR UK. HE ALSO INDICATED GOB WOULD WANT TO DEAL ONLY ON GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT BASIS WITH U.S. GOVERNMENT WORKING OUT PARTICIPATION OF PRIVATE AMERICAN MANUFACTURER AND/OR CONTRACTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDARD FMS SALES CASE PRACTICES.
- 2. BELL REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH EMBASSY IN LAST FEW DAYS AND FOUND WHEN THEY MADE A COMMERCIAL CALL ON BDF, BDF OFFICERS WERE RELUCTANT TO TALK WITH THEM PRIOR TO CONTACT WITH REQUESTED USG MILITARY SURVEY.
- 3. REQUEST EARLIEST POSSIBLE RESPONSE REFTEL. CONFIDENTIAL

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